Thirty-ninth session
FIRST COMMITTEE
Agenda item 59 (1)

REVIEW OF THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE RECOMMENDATIONS AND DECISIONS
ADOPTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY AT ITS TENTH SPECIAL SESSION:
ADVISORY BOARD ON DISARMAMENT STUDIES

Draft statute of the United Nations Institute for
Disarmament Research

Communication dated 27 November 1984 from the Chairman of the Fifth
Committee addressed to the Chairman of the First Committee

I have the honour to refer to your letter of 15 November 1984 (A/C.5/39/43),
by which you requested that the revised draft statute of the United Nations
Institute for Disarmament Research (UNIDIR) be brought to the attention of the
Fifth Committee, for necessary action, before the First Committee takes any
decision on it.

In accordance with established practice, the text of the revised draft
statute, as well as the Secretary-General’s statement on its administrative and
financial implications (A/C.5/39/33), were considered by the Advisory Committee on
Administrative and Budgetary Questions, whose report appears in document
A/39/7/Add.8.

The Fifth Committee considered this question at its 34th meeting, on
27 November 1984, and took the following decisions:

(a) By a recorded vote of 75 to 17, with 5 abstentions, the Committee decided
to endorse the recommendations of the Advisory Committee with regard to the
suggested revision of article VII of the draft statute (see A/39/7/Add.8,
para. 10). The result of the vote is attached;*

* See annex below.
(b) By 79 votes to 10, with 8 abstentions, the Committee authorized me to inform you that the Committee endorses the comments and recommendations of the Advisory Committee as contained in its report (A/39/7/Add.8), in particular the suggested revisions to articles III, IV, VII and VIII of the draft statute of UNIDIR, as contained in paragraphs 10 to 13 of the ACABQ report. The Committee also decided to revert to the consideration of the programme budget implications of any resolution that the First Committee may adopt in this respect, after its adoption. In this regard the First Committee will no doubt wish to take into account the report of the Secretary-General (A/C.5/39/33) and the relevant portions of the ACABQ report (A/39/7/Add.8, paras. 14-19).

(Signed) Ernest Besley MAYCOCK
Chairman of the
Fifth Committee
Annex

PROPOSED REVISION OF ARTICLE VII OF THE STATUTE OF UNIDIR

Vote of the Fifth Committee at its 34th meeting

In favour: Algeria, Argentina, Australia, Austria, Bangladesh, Benin, Brazil, Burkina Faso, Burma, Burundi, Cameroon, China, Congo, Cuba, Cyprus, Democratic Yemen, Denmark, Dominican Republic, Ecuador, Egypt, Ethiopia, Finland, Gabon, Ghana, Greece, Guinea, Guinea-Bissau, Honduras, India, Indonesia, Iran (Islamic Republic of), Iraq, Ireland, Ivory Coast, Jordan, Kenya, Kuwait, Lebanon, Liberia, Libyan Arab Jamahiriya, Malaysia, Maldives, Mali, Mauritania, Mexico, Morocco, Mozambique, Niger, Nigeria, Norway, Oman, Pakistan, Panama, Peru, Romania, Rwanda, Saudi Arabia, Senegal, Sierra Leone, Singapore, Spain, Swaziland, Sweden, Thailand, Togo, Trinidad and Tobago, Tunisia, Turkey, Uganda, United Arab Emirates, Venezuela, Yemen, Yugoslavia, Zaire, Zambia.

Against: Belgium, Bulgaria, Byelorussian Soviet Socialist Republic, Czechoslovakia, German Democratic Republic, Germany, Federal Republic of, Hungary, Israel, Japan, Mongolia, Netherlands, Poland, Portugal, Ukrainian Soviet Socialist Republic, Union of Soviet Socialist Republics, United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, United States of America.

Abstaining: Canada, France, Grenada, Italy, New Zealand.